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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 196
By Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Ed E. Williams III
to the Tennessee Forestry Commission.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201, provides for an independent
and separate administrative board to be known as the Tennessee Forestry Commission; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201, further provides that the
Governor shall appoint the members of the Tennessee Forestry Commission; and

WHEREAS, Governor Don Sundquist has appointed Ed E. Williams III of Gray,
Tennessee, to a term on the Tennessee Forestry Commission; and

WHEREAS, Ed E. Williams III will represent a statewide conservation organization on
the Tennessee Forestry Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams is a graduate of Wofford College, Vanderbilt University School
of Law, the National Judicial College and the American Land Use Institute; and

WHEREAS, Ed Williams III serves with distinction as a member of the Board of
Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, Ed Williams III serves with acumen as a Judge at the Private Adjudication
Center at the Duke University School of Law; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams is a member of the Editorial Board of Alternatives, a publication
on Alternative Dispute Resolution; and

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WHEREAS, he serves astutely on the Board of Trustees of the Tennessee Nature Conservancy and the National Park Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Ed Williams III is a past member of the Tennessee Conservation Commission and the Safe Growth Cabinet Council; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams is also a past member of the Governor's Select Committee on Clean Water and the Tennessee Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, Ed E. Williams III is currently practicing law with the Baker, Donelson, Bearman & Caldwell law firm in Johnson City, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201, provides that each member appointed by the Governor to the Tennessee Forestry Commission shall be subject to confirmation by Joint Resolution of the General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That this Body does hereby confirm the appointment of Ed E. Williams III of Gray, Tennessee, to the Tennessee Forestry Commission to serve a term that will expire on July 1, 2002.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.